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Mr. James D. Squires Editor, Editorial Page CHICAGO TRIBUNE 435 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611

Dear Mr. Squires:

The underlined portion of the TRIBUNE's 1 August editorial: "Spy law: A Good Idea Goes Bad" misrepresents Director Casey's concerns regarding the publication of information which damages the U.S. Intelligence Community's collection capabilities.

I am also enclosing for your background, and that of the writer of the editorial, a copy of 18 USC 798, the law which concerns the disclosure and printing of classified communications intelligence, and Director Casey's interview with the WASHINGTON JOURNALISM REVIEW on "National Security and the Press." I hope they will prove enlightening.

Sincerely,

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